

COPACI

PAN AMERICAN
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AGENDA 2025

Passion

Growth

Governance

Communication

A CENTURY
OF PURE PEDAL

*America for a more powerful,
participative and young cycling”*

José Manuel Peláez

PRESIDENT OF COPACI

**AGENDA
2025**





*Shared reasons,
intensity and changes"*

FRIENDS IN CYCLING

On September 24, 2022 the Pan American Cycling Confederation (COPACI) will reach its first 100 years. Since its foundation in Montevideo, Uruguay, much has been the work of cyclists, coaches, mechanics, federation officials and leaders to make our sport a reference in the world.

When we were reelected for a new term at the head of COPACI in 2021, we committed ourselves to work to have a more powerful cycling in our continent. These ideas are contained in this Agenda 2025, based on four fundamental pillars: Passion, Growth, Governance and Communication, which are in line with the objectives promoted by the UCI and respond to the fundamental interest of our 44 affiliated federations and five associate federations.

Passion means approaching each challenge from the lived history, the example of great figures and greater material and human resources, but above all from the changes required in each modality, always looking towards the future.

Growth is to have more impact projects in our countries and confederations, to achieve an increase in social and professional practitioners, as well as to maintain the results at world and Olympic level, in order to remain the second power after Europe.

Governance aims at strengthening transparency based on COPACI's new constitution, to continue establishing alliances with sports organizations in the continent and to deepen the control of Olympic Solidarity funds through the mechanisms established by the UCI.

Communication would mean having a more active presence of COPACI and the National Federations in social networks and more dynamic virtual platforms; encourage the production of cycling audiovisuals and promote the practice of our sport from an early age, with a greater link to the media.

The fight for fair play and against doping will be present in each of the pillars. Therein lies the image of the cyclist, his national federation, the COPACI and the UCI in the eyes of young people and the international Olympic movement. Being unaware of a prohibited substance does not free you from the responsibility of being sanctioned.

Friends in cycling:

On the verge of our centenary, COPACI is committed to making the leap we set out to make when we were re-elected in 2021. For this we count on the affiliated federations and especially on those that continue to see this sport as an essential weapon to create values and friendship. This is how we were born. This is how we continue. This is how we will stand strong.



José Manuel Peláez
PRESIDENT OF COPACI

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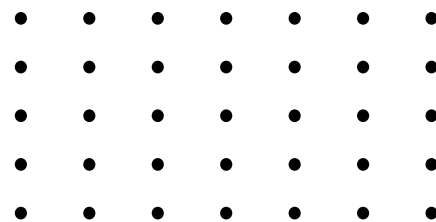
WHAT IS AGENDA 2025?



A dynamic, dialectic and enriching proposal of the work objectives suggested by the Pan American Cycling Confederation until 2025, based on four fundamental pillars:

Passion, Growth, Governance and Communication, which summarize the aspirations of federation members, coaches and our cyclists, in line with the campaign presented by José Manuel Peláez, re-elected as our president in 2021.

It will be the guide to follow with a higher organization, as demanded by the International Cycling Union. Its fulfillment falls on the Management Committee together with all the National Federations. What we do may exceed the Agenda 2025, but it will be essential that what is approved here is made real with that creativity that characterizes America in sport, especially in cycling.



PAN AMERICAN CONFEDERATION OF CYCLING

A century of pure pedaling

The Pan American Cycling Confederation (COPACI) was founded on September 24, 1922 in the city of Montevideo, Eastern Republic of Uruguay, which makes us the second oldest cycling organization in the world after the International Cycling Union (UCI), founded in 1900, in Paris, France. COPACI is an autonomous organization made up of the 44 National Federations of countries in the American continent and five associate members, attached to the UCI and recognized as the sole authorities of this discipline by their respective National Olympic Committees.

We are also the governing and representative body of cycling in the Americas, which intervenes in the organization and advice on events with Panam Sports, Centro Caribe Sports, the Association of Pan American Confederations (ACODEPA); the National Olympic Committees, the UCI and other sub-regional sports institutions.

COPACI is responsible for the management and promotion of the different modalities of cycling: road, track, Mountain Bike, BMX, para-cycling, cyclo-cross, e-cycling. It also organizes and manages its own competitions, especially the Pan American Championships, which are the highlight of the season and have gone from biennial to annual in the 21st century.

The first calls for our competitions were for men cyclists, elite category; then the youth were included; while the ladies were called for the first time in 1987, in the X Pan American Games in Indianapolis, United States. In 1993, Mountain Bike began to form part of our calendar, while BMX became part of our calendar in 1997.

As part of our international expansion, we have organized World Track and Road Cycling Championships, elite and junior.





ROAD CYCLING

Beauty and quality.
America is one of the
great powers.

In addition, our continent has hosted several phases of World Cups in all modalities (Track, BMX, MTB) and we currently have 15 races that make up the UCI America Tour circuit, a number that increases every year, while we work to have races in the UCI ProSeries category.

COPACI has had, at different stages of its history, several members in the UCI Management Committee, among them Mexican Ángel "Zapopan" Romero (deceased); Cubans Benito Sobero (deceased) and José Manuel Peláez; Americans Richard Garmo and Mike Plant (USA), and Venezuelan Artemio Leonnet. At this moment, we count on Bolivian Sonia Ramos, the first woman in America to achieve such a high position, during the UCI Congress in 2021.

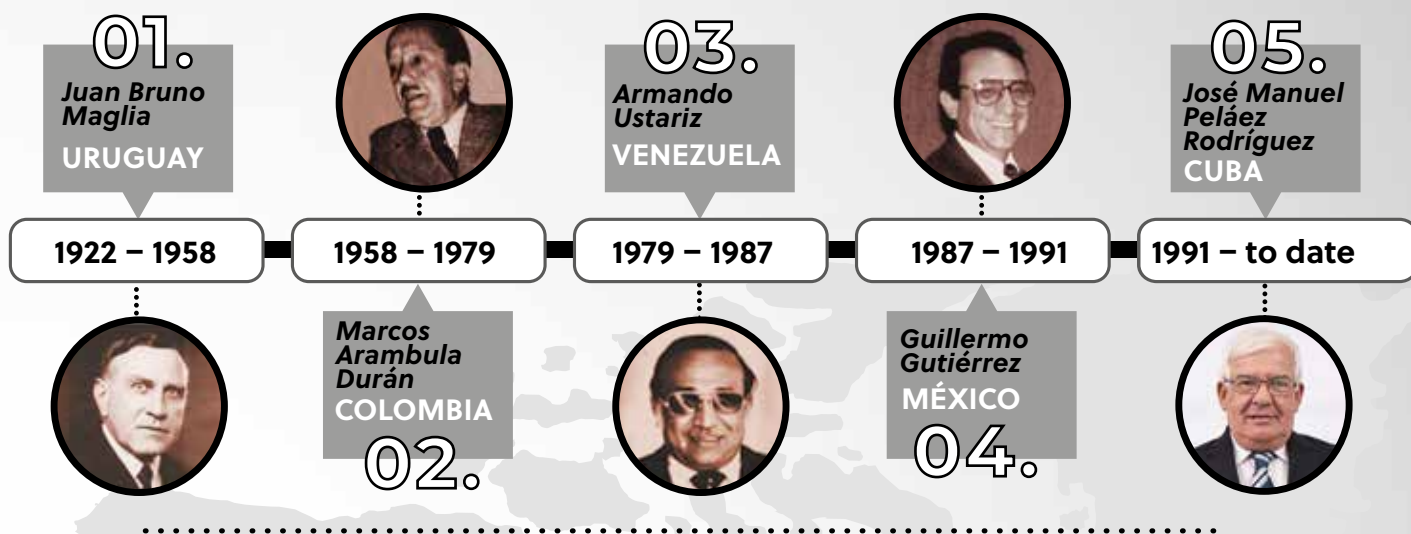
In November 2020 we approved a new Constitution for COPACI, which today governs the destinies of the Confederation. After overcoming the Covid-19 pandemic, which forced many projects to stop, and after a century of pure pedaling, we are ready to continue being, from the history and prestige gained, an active reference for the future of cycling in America.

WOMEN AND CYCLING

The result in America has been a reference for the world.



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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

2021-2025



PAN AMERICAN COMMISSIONS



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President:
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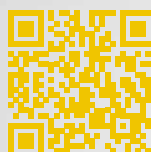
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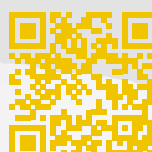
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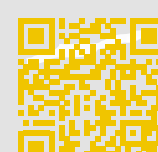
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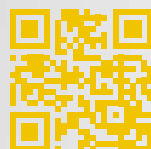
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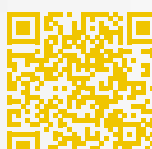
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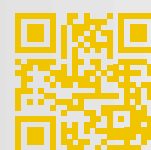
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PASSION



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*Passion means
history, figures,
changes and
future”*



APPROACH EACH CHALLENGE FROM LIVED HISTORY

Nothing awakens more motivation in the practice of cycling than the history lived by those who preceded him in his country, his continent or the world. The possibility of equaling or surpassing those results becomes the challenge to overcome in each day of training and in the competition itself. Our continent is rich in events, protagonists, world and Olympic podiums. The accumulated experience of coaches and technicians also contribute to awaken the passion for the

sport from an early age, especially now when new technologies are within reach and are essential tools for the formation of cyclists.

We also have infrastructure, clubs, velodromes, a system of approved competitions, as well as a body of commissaries and judges that support the dedication and daily sacrifice of cyclists and coaches. The numbers that refer to the closing of 2019, after a UCI survey, are illustrative as the second cycling power in the world.



Federated Cyclists

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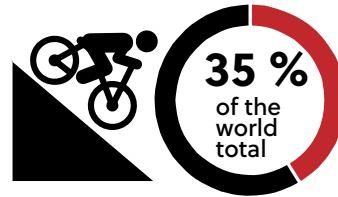
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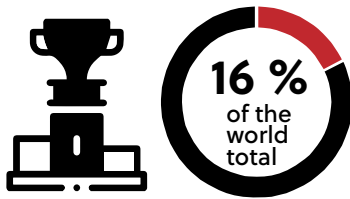
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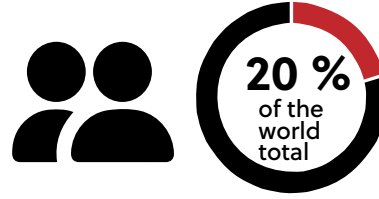
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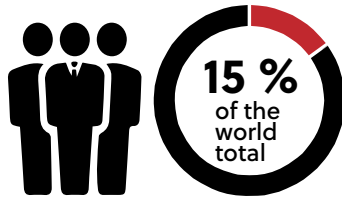
Competitions

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Trainees at the WCC

388



Commissaires

5 419



National federations

44

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WORLD TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AMERICA (ELITE)

NO.	YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY	
I	1893	United States	Chicago	International Cycling Association
VII	1899	Canada	Montreal	
XX	1912	United States	Newark	
LXV	1968	Uruguay	Montevideo	
LXXI	1974	Canada	Montreal	
LXXIV	1977	Venezuela	San Cristobal	
LXXXIII	1986	United States	Colorado Springs	
XCII	1995	Colombia	Bogota	
CII	2005	United States	Los Angeles	
CXI	2014	Colombia	Cali	

AMERICAN MEDALS IN TRACK WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (ELITE)

COUNTRY	WORLD STANDING	MEDALS	TOTAL
United States	8	50-44-48	142
Colombia	18	7-5-0	12
Canada	19	6-19-16	41
Cuba	24	4-4-5	13
Argentina	28	1-8-10	19
Mexico	29	1-7-14	22
Uruguay	34	0-2-0	2
Trinidad and Tobago	35	0-1-2	3
Barbados	37	0-1-1	2
TOTAL		69-91- 96	256

SOME OF THE MAIN FIGURES



Rebecca Twigg
(USA), individual pursuit,
gold 1982, 1984, 1985,
1987, 1993 and 1995



Nancy Contreras
(MEX), 500 time
trial, gold 2001



Yumari González
(CUB), scratch, gold
2007 and 2009



Sarah Hammer
(USA) individual pursuit,
gold 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011,
2013; omnium 2013, 2014



COCHISE RODRÍGUEZ

(COL), individual pursuit, gold 1971

LEGACY

In these championships 44 countries have won medals, including nine from the Americas. Of the total of 3,144 medals and 1,049 golds, we registered 8% and 6.6%, respectively. It is essential to highlight the contribution of women in this section with over 70% of the podiums.

A special mention must be made for Martín "Cochise" Rodríguez, our pioneer in obtaining a world gold medal on the track of a velodrome.

On August 27, 1971, one of those events that united Colombia and

America at the same time, took place. He was crowned world champion in the 4,000-meter individual pursuit in Varese, Italy.

Much has been written about that final in which he beat the Swiss Josef Fuchs, but the most important thing was the impact on Latin American cycling. It was night in Europe, but late in his native Colombia. Everyone remembers his silver bicycle, the advantage that was achieved in each kilometer and the final time of 4 minutes 53 seconds and 98 hundredths.

WORLD ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AMERICA (ELITE)

NO.	YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY
XLI	1974	Canada	Montreal
XLIV	1977	Venezuela	San Cristobal
LIII	1986	United States	Colorado Springs
LXII	1995	Colombia	Duitama
LXX	2003	Canada	Hamilton
LXXXII	2015	United States	Richmond

MEDALS OF AMERICA IN WORLD ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS (ELITE)

COUNTRY	WORLD STANDINGS	MEDALS	TOTAL
United States	6	19-19-14	52
Colombia	20	2-1-1	4
Canada	29	0-3-5	8
Uruguay	36	0-0-1	1
TOTAL		21-23-21	65

SOME OF THE MAIN FIGURES



Santiago Botero
(COL), time trial,
gold 2002



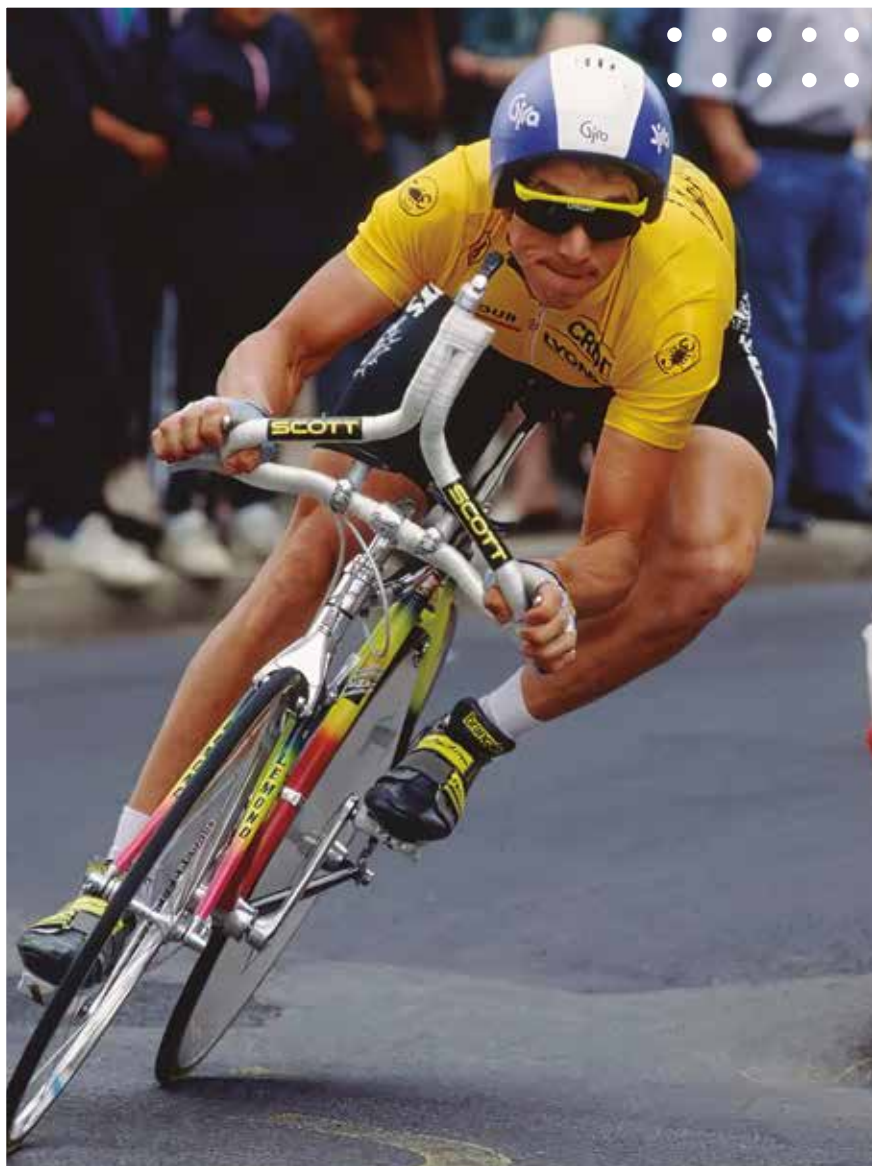
Kristin Armstrong
(USA), time trial,
gold 2006 and 2009



Fabio Andrés Duarte Arevalo
(COL), road U23, gold 2008



Amber Neben
(USA), time trial,
gold 2008 y 2016



GREG LEMOND

(USA), road, gold
1983 and 1989

LEGACY

In these grueling competitions that bring together two road specialties, 36 countries have won medals, including four from the Americas. Of the total of 919 medals and 306 golds, 6.8% and 7.1%, respectively, are from our continent.

Northern cyclists lead by far and it is inevitable not to mention the name of Greg LeMond, who, in addition to his triumphs in the

World Championships, won three victories in the Tour de France and became the first non-European cyclist to win the prestigious Giro. He always maintained a critical stance against the use of doping in cycling.

It is also impossible to forget the triumph of Santiago Botero, the first and only Latin American to win a time trial at this level in Zolder, Belgium, in 2002.

WORLD TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AMERICA (JUNIOR)

YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY
1978	United States	Washington
1979	Argentina	Buenos Aires
1980	Mexico	Mexico City
1991	United States	Colorado Springs
1994	Ecuador	Quito
1998	Cuba	Havana
2001	United States	Trexlertown
2004	United States	Los Angeles
2007	Mexico	Aguascalientes

MEDALS OF AMERICA IN TRACK WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS (JUNIOR)

COUNTRY	MEDALS	TOTAL
United States	10-12-14	36
Cuba	5-3-4	12
Colombia	5-3-2	10
Canada	4-5-5	14
Argentina	1-3-2	6
Brasil	1-0-0	1
Mexico	0-3-7	10
Chile	0-2-2	4
Venezuela	0-1-1	2
TOTAL	26-32-37	95

SOME OF THE MAIN FIGURES



Mauro Ribeiro (BRA),
race by points, gold 1982



Janie Quigley-Eickhoff (USA), sprint and
pursuit, gold 1987



Fernando Gaviria (COL), omnium and
madison, gold 2012



Camila Andrea Valbuena (COL), race by
points, gold 2014



LISANDRA GUERRA

*(CUB), 500 meters
time trials, gold 2007
and sprint, gold 2007*

LEGACY

Strength in this category is essential to change working methods and aspire to more results at all levels. It can be noted that nine nations of the continent have won medals, six of them with champions. Many figures later achieved titles and podiums in elite world championships and Olympic Games.

An example is the Cuban Lisandra Guerra, years later world title holder in the elite category and who held for a time the

world record in the 500 meters time trials. She has been one of the few women to undergo 34 seconds in this specialty.

Humbled, cheerful, disciplined and very focused on what she always wanted, she was selected after her triumphs in the youth category for a scholarship of more than two years at the World Cycling Center. Her medals would come at all levels. Only the Olympics eluded her.

ROAD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AMERICA (JUNIOR)

YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY
1978	United States	Washington
1979	Argentina	Buenos Aires
1980	Mexico	Mexico City
1991	United States	Colorado Springs
1994	Ecuador	Quito
2003	Canada	Hamilton
2007	Mexico	Aguascalientes
2015	United States	Richmond

COUNTRIES OF THE AMERICAS WITH MEDALS IN WORLD ROAD CHAMPIONSHIPS (JUNIOR)

PAÍS	MEDALS	TOTAL
United States	9-14- 11	34
Canada	2- 0-2	4
TOTAL	11-14-13	38

SOME OF THE MAIN FIGURES



Geneviève Jeanson
(CAN), road and time trial, gold 1999



Taylor Phinney
(USA), time trial, gold 2007



Megan Jastrab
(USA), road, gold 2019



Quinn Simmons
(USA), road, gold 2019



CHLOÉ DYGERT

(USA), road and time trial, gold 2015

LEGACY

These contests have been the most difficult for our cyclists in America, as only two countries have been able to obtain preseasons and monarchs. The best options have been among the ladies; an example of the potential we have.

American Chloé Dygert proves it, because since her golden double in 2015, in the

current Olympic cycle she has already won the world road title in 2019, as well as Olympic silver and bronze in Rio de Janeiro 2016 and Tokyo 2020, respectively. She is one of the inspirational athletes for her teammates and the entire continent, as she also competes in the individual and team pursuit, with triple world crowns from 2017 to 2020.

BMX WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AMERICA

YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY
1997	Canada	Saskatoon
2000	Argentina	Cordova
2001	United States	Louisville
2002	Brazil	Paulinia
2006	Brazil	Sao Paulo
2007	Canada	Victoria
2016	Colombia	Medellín
2017	United States	Rock Hill

AMERICAN COUNTRIES WITH MEDALS IN BMX WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

COUNTRY	MEDALS	TOTAL
United States	17-20-16	53
Colombia	7-1-6	14
Argentina	4-3-4	11
Venezuela	2-0-1	3
Brazil	1-0-1	2
Canada	0-2-0	2
TOTAL	31-26-28	85

SOME OF THE MAIN FIGURES



María Gabriela Díaz
(ARG), gold 2001,
2022 and 2004



Randy Stumpfhauser
(USA) gold 2002,
2003, 2004 and 2005



Kyle Bennett
(USA), gold 2002,
2003 and 2007



Stefany Hernández
(VEN), gold 2015



MARIANA PAJÓN

(COL), gold en 2010, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016

LEGACY

It is the world competition in which America has the highest percentage of golds (37.8) with respect to the total distributed. Two regions of our continent stand out with the awards: North and South, with clear golden demonstrations.

One of the most important names is that of the Colombian cycling phenomenon Mariana Pajón, who since 2007 has become one of the world's leading BMX riders.

World junior champion first, double Olympic gold medalist in London 2012 and Rio de Janeiro 2016 and silver in Tokyo 2020, leader of the ranking for several seasons, Pan American, Latin American, South American, Bolivarian, Central American and Caribbean champion, and in every tournament there is, the cyclist holds the greatest thing: the love of her Colombian people and of all America.

MOUNTAIN BIKE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AMERICA

YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY
1990	United States	Durango
1992	Canada	Bromont
1994	United States	Vail
1998	Canada	Mont-Sainte-Anne
2001	United States	Vail
2010	Canada	Mont-Sainte-Anne
2019	Canada	Mont-Sainte-Anne

AMERICAN COUNTRIES WITH MEDALS IN MOUNTAIN BIKE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

COUNTRY	MEDALS	TOTAL
United States	23-20-32	75
Canada	12-10-11	33
Chile (sub23)	1-0-0	1
Brazil	0-1-0	1
Argentina	0-0-1	1
TOTAL	36-31-44	111

SOME OF THE MAIN FIGURES



Roland Green (CAN), gold 2001 and 2002



Brian Lopes (USA), gold 2002, 2005 and 2007



Jill Kintner (USA), gold 2005, 2006 and 2007



Martin Vidaurre (CHI), gold 2021



ALISON SYDOR

*(CAN), gold 1994,
1995, 1996 and 2002*

LEGACY

The example of the United States and Canada in the organization of these events and in obtaining the highest awards radiates to our nations, especially to the countries of the southern area, which already add a U23 champion and three medals in the last editions.

Of course, the Canadian Alison Sydor steals the comments for the new generations for

her four titles and 12 world medals, but above all for her two decades in the elite of her specialty, with continental, World Cup and Olympic podiums.

It is one of the modalities with a greater loyalty for her followers, but in which we will grow, as demonstrated by the title of the Chilean Martin Vidaurre, in the U23 category, in the World Cup held last year in Italy.

OLYMPIC GAMES IN AMERICA

YEAR	COUNTRY	CITY
1904	United States	San Luis
1932	United States	Los Angeles
1968	Mexico	Mexico City
1976	Canada	Montreal
1984	United States	Los Angeles
1996	United States	Atlanta
2016	Brazil	Río de Janeiro

AMERICAN COUNTRIES WITH MEDALS AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES

COUNTRY	TRACK	ROAD	MTB	BMX	FREESTYLE
United States	11-15-13	5-4-4	0-0-2	1-2-2	0-1-0
Canada	2-2-6	0-1-2	0-2-1		
Colombia	0-0-1	0-1-0		2-1-3	
Argentina	1-0-0				
Ecuador		1-0-0			
Mexico	0-1-1				
Venezuela				0-0-1	0-1-0
Cuba	0-1-0				
Uruguay	0-1-0				
Jamaica	0-0-1				
TOTAL	14-20-22	6-6-6	0-2-3	3-3-6	0-2-0

SOME OF THE MAIN FIGURES



TRACK:
Juan Curuchet y
Walter Pérez (ARG),
madison, gold 2008.



ROAD:
Kristin Armstrong (USA)
gold 2008, 2012 and 2016



MTB:
Marie-Hélène Prémont
(CAN), silver 2004



BMX RACING-FREESTYLE:
Daniel Dhers
(VEN), silver 2020



RICHARD CARAPAZ

(ECU), road, gold 2020

LEGACY

As a result of the work of each of the national federations, the dedicated coaches and our magnificent cyclists, America was represented at the last Olympic Games in Tokyo 2020 by 96 riders from 16 nations in the five modalities.

With three medals of each color and the podium of Ecuador for the first time in Olympic events, thanks to the extraordinary work of Richard Carapaz, our

continent was ratified as the second cycling power in the world, behind Europe and ahead of Asia, Australia-Oceania and Africa. Only in Mountain Bike we did not win any prizes.

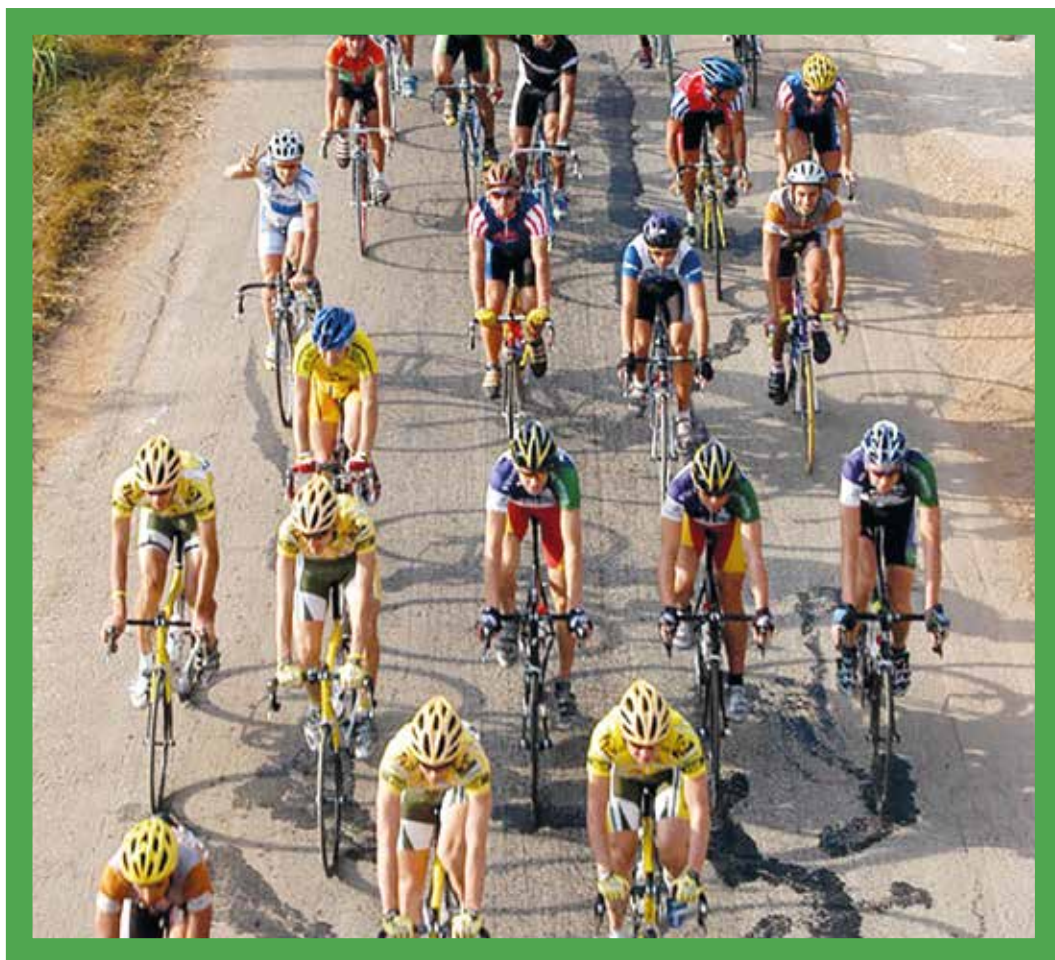
The total 23 gold, 33 silver and 37 bronze medals in history is the most vivid expression of the PASSION with which we have worked and will continue to do so for the Olympic Games in Paris 2024.

GROWTH



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Growth means
education,
organization and
development”



TO REMAIN THE SECOND WORLD POWER

It is imperative that COPACI grows from the most authentic values that make cycling one of the most followed sports of the 21st century. We have grouped in three main aspects the ideas that we will implement until 2025, which can be enriched with the creativity of the national federations and the Pan American Commissions of the Olympic disciplines (road, track, Mountain Bike, BMX Racing and BMX Freestyle), as well as cyclo-cross and e-cycling.

We must have more impact projects in our countries based on the benefits offered by the UCI's Olympic Solidarity programs for continental and national federations. Also, to achieve an increase in professional and social practitioners, and to maintain the results at world and Olympic level, to reaffirm in the coming years that we remain the second power after Europe.

EDUCATION



PROMOTE THE PRACTICE OF CYCLING FROM EARLY AGES

- Encourage children to learn to ride bicycles, starting from the principle of promoting cycling schools within the clubs. (2022-2024)
- Organize a greater number of competitions in children's categories in schools, clubs and at the National Federation level in the most age-related specialties. (2023-2025)
- Encourage great cycling figures of each country to be permanent guests to work with children. (2022-2025)
- Increase alliances with the media and sponsors to produce products that motivate the practice of cycling. (2022-2024)
- Expand the use of new technologies for the knowledge at these ages of the different modalities of our sport. (2022-2024)

TRAINING, QUALIFICATION AND IMPROVEMENT COURSES

- Expand national training courses for coaches, athletes, mechanics and commissaries with international experts, both from the continent and with advisory from the UCI through the Olympic Solidarity program. (2023-2024)
- Conduct an International Clinic every year, taking advantage of COPACI Congresses on the most contemporary trends in training methodology and new UCI regulations. (2022-2025)
- Promote, by COPACI regions, the training and development of national and international commissaires, with emphasis on the Caribbean region, which is the less favored in this regard. (2023-2025)
- Invite national federations and regional vice-presidencies to implement cooperation programs oriented towards greater technical knowledge of the five Olympic disciplines, as well as cyclo-cross and e-cycling. (2022-2024)
- Creatively and intentionally take advantage of the Olympic Solidarity program offered by the UCI, especially for national federations belonging to UCI category 3 and 4, which are the ones with emerging cycling and need more support. (2022-2024)

FIGHT AGAINST DOPING

- Activate an anti-doping prevention plan involving riders, coaches, trainers, physical trainers, officials and the entire cycling family in the Americas. (2022-2023)
- To give conferences, lectures and seminars in the countries with the highest incidence, located in the areas of South and Central America and to get each National Federation to present its actions in the education and fight against doping from the early ages to high performance. (2022-2025)
- Strengthen the links between the National Federations with the anti-doping brigades of each country to implement actions and controls to federated cyclists. (2022-2025)
- Consolidate the anti-doping laboratory in Havana as the main laboratory for conducting doping tests for COPACI and all competitions and federations that require it, based on its certification by the World Anti-Doping Agency and the offer it presents. (2022-2025)
- To have an awareness stand dedicated to promoting the value of clean sport at all competitions organized at the national, regional or continental level, where athletes and other personnel will be provided with information related to the topic. (2022-2025)
- Reverse in the short term being the geographical area with the highest number of cases of doped cyclists in recent years. (2024-2025).



ORGANIZATION



CALENDAR OF COMPETITIONS

- To grow in the races of the UCI America Tour calendar to complete the 20 per season in 2025 and to have at least two UCI Pro-Series in our continent. (2023-2025)
- Consolidate the regional and Pan-American road, track, BMX -Racing and Freestyle-, Mountain Bike and cyclo-cross championships. (2022-2024)
- Introduce national and continental e-cycling championships, with semifinal and final rounds in person in order to match the technological parameters. (2023-2025)
- Assess the feasibility and resources to group the Pan American Championships, in the style of the 2023 UCI World Championships, into a single one with all cycling disciplines, once every four years in those nations with the conditions to carry it out. (2025)
- Promote more national races and competitions in all cycling disciplines, based on meeting the requirements established by the UCI and as an incentive for healthy recreation and greater promotion of our sport in the continent. (2022-2025)
- Encourage more races for women's road cycling in the Americas, linked as much as possible to the already established men's versions. (2023-2024)
- To grow by at least two para-cycling events per year, based on the increase in the number of participants and the inclusive approach promoted by the sport worldwide. (2023-2025)
- Extend the practice of BMX Freestyle to a greater number of national federations, with the construction of the infrastructure for it, based on the potential that is appreciated and its Olympic incursion since Tokyo 2020. (2022-2024)



CREATION OF A SATELLITE CENTER AND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE WORLD CYCLING CENTER

- Submit a project for evaluation by the UCI, based on the results of young talents in our continent, for the creation of a Satellite Cycling Center in America, as we had in 2015 in Mar del Plata. (2023)
- Re-evaluate according to Agenda 2022, approved by the UCI, the possibility of creating a shared Satellite Cycling Center for the Caribbean countries. (2023-2024)
- Identify more swiftly, through national federations, the young talents that can perform high-level training at the World Cycling Center and opt for a scholarship to be presented through the UCI Olympic Solidarity program. (2023-2025)
- Share the experiences in the respective countries of athletes, coaches, mechanics or sport directors who go through the UCI World Cycling Center, as a way to acquire more updated knowledge. (2023-2025)

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- To select by the national federations the best cyclists by discipline on an annual basis and to stimulate them as much as possible with the main sponsors. (2022-2025)
- To select by the COPACI Management Committee, at the proposal of the national federations, the best cyclists of the continent, on an annual basis, in all disciplines, to be awarded in the first competition of the following year. (2022-2025)
- To select by the COPACI Management Committee, at the proposal of the national federations and the Pan American Commissions, the best coaches, sport directors and commissaires, on an annual basis, in their respective modalities, who shall be awarded in the first competition of the following year. (2022-2025)
- Propose to the Panam Sport organization that all champions in regional Games, namely Central American and Caribbean Games and Odesur Games, obtain direct qualification to the Pan American Games of the following year. (2023).

DEVELOPMENT



OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY PROGRAMS

- To promote development projects of the national federations each year focused on the three forms of support: Education, Equipment or Special Project Funding, to be evaluated by the UCI under the terms and conditions specified in the Olympic Solidarity Guide. (2023-2025)
- Prioritize, as much as possible, courses for coaches, athletes and commissaires, as well as anti-doping education courses, based on the needs in our area and that projects can only be requested once a year. (2023-2025)
- To further strengthen the partnerships of the national federations with the respective National Olympic Committees, which also receive IOC support for Olympic Solidarity courses. (2023-2024)
- Privilege in the case of Special Project Funding for national federations women's cycling, cycling for all or para-cycling, not only because of what is established by the UCI, but also because of the strength of these areas in the Americas. (2023-2024)

INCLUSION AND FEMALE EMPOWERMENT

- To grow in the practice of para-cycling in all national federations, based on the connections with the strategic plan of each National Paralympic Committee of each country. (2022-2024)
- Contribute to the integration of cycling in public policies and as a recreational, healthy and value-forming activity for children and youth. (2022-2025)
- Create the Women Cyclist Commission within COPACI, which will be able to generate ideas and present projects to both our organization and the UCI for a real empowerment of women in sport. (2022)
- Encourage the search and training of women for coaches, commissaries and managers of our sport, as well as promote their advancement to positions in national federations. (2022-2024)



GOVERNANCE



Governance means
transparency, control
and alliances"



ETHICS AND PRESTIGE AS STRENGTHS

As stated in our Constitution, approved on November 19, 2020, COPACI seeks to preserve the unity of world cycling, to promote the interests of Pan American cycling in all disciplines, including virtual or electronic cycling activities and competition in all its forms, and to represent the interests of Pan American cycling national federations and commissions. Strengthening the concept of Governance in the next period of work is due to greater transparency in the decisions made by the COPACI Management Committee,

ensuring strict compliance with the new constitution, growing in alliances with regional and continental sports organizations, and deepening the control of Olympic Solidarity funds through the mechanisms established by the UCI.

Our ethical commitments and the prestige achieved by COPACI in a century of existence are two strengths that we count on for the objectives we propose, which will be expressed here in three variables: Leadership, Influence and Cooperation.





LEADERSHIP

COPACI is a strong and respected voice in the sporting context of the Americas for its organization, results and evolution. Preserving this role and renewing it with dialectics and creativity must be a guideline for the President and the Management Committee, who define the policy of the Pan American Confederation and have the responsibility to lead it.

FOR AN ACTIVE GOVERNANCE IT IS NECESSARY TO

- Strengthen the role of the President of COPACI, the Management Committee, the Executive Committee, and the approved Pan American Commissions.
- Always adhere to the provisions of the COPACI Constitution and the UCI Statutes, which are indisputable guiding documents.
- Recognize that the central role of all the work lies with the National Federations.
- Better control the management of the Olympic Solidarity funds approved to the National Federations by the UCI.
- Strengthen the principles of transparency, respect for ethics and legitimate authority in each of the projects and actions.
- To recognize with the one award established in our Constitution (COPACI Merit) and others that may be created to the protagonists who have rendered an excellent service to cycling in America and the world.
- Fulfill and put into practice all commitments made with international organizations and the UCI.



INFLUENCE

COPACI is one of the Pan American Confederations with the richest history in the Americas. It is the founder of the Pan American Games and all regional multi - events. Its voice is also present in the Association of Pan American Sports Confederations (ACODEPA), in which COPACI's President has served several terms as Vice-President.

FOR A RENEWED GOVERNANCE IT IS NECESSARY TO

- Consolidate COPACI's presence in all regional sports bodies with new projects.
 - To recognize the specificity of the smaller federations and of those belonging to the group of "emerging cycling countries" in order to be able to structure actions towards them.
 - To work so that the five federations associated to COPACI have a greater presence in regional and Pan-American competitions.
 - Establish new relationships with Non-Governmental Organizations, both at the level of national federations, regional and
- Pan American organizations, in order to provide greater support to cycling and to organize events.
 - Moderate the costs for the bids and organization of the Pan American Championships in the different specialties.
 - Encourage the empowerment of women in federation positions along with the historical legacy of our organization to have a more credible and effective COPACI.
 - Increase support for para-cycling and establish more connections with National Paralympic Committees to develop athletes and organize at least two annual competitions in the Americas.



COOPERATION

COPACI is a true example in forging alliances with other organizations, sponsors and other sports entities that can contribute to a greater growth and consolidation of cycling in our continent. Many experiences tell us to continue on this path, with new ideas and a boost to the Olympic modalities and the Latin American Cups.



To develop cycling in the children's categories requires a lot of love, but also economic resources that can be obtained through alliances with sponsors and other entities



FOR AN EXTENDED GOVERNANCE IT IS NECESSARY TO

- To strengthen work links and projects with sports organizations such as Panam Sports, Centro Caribe Sport, Odesur, Odebo and ORDECA to apply the Olympic cycling program in their quadrennial Games.
- Satisfactorily comply with the annual audit established by the UCI to control Olympic Solidarity funds and the use of COPACI's budget.
- To favor the integration of e-cycling in the competitive programs of the next Pan American Games of Santiago de Chile 2023.
- Create the Women Cyclist Commission within the COPACI to promote their real merits in this sport.
- To work actively with the UCI, national anti-doping brigades and other international entities to eradicate doping in the national federations with the highest incidence.
- Promote the celebration of Latin American Cups in the specialties of mountain biking and BMX Racing and Freestyle.
- Increase the relationship with the International Relations Service of the UCI for access to scholarships to the World Cycling Center and other courses for coaches, mechanics and managers of the sport.



A NECESSARY STOP WITH JOSÉ M. PELÁEZ



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(...) I enjoy a competition from beginning to end. I don't particularly enjoy sitting on the stands on the contrary, I like to mingle with athletes on the track and enjoy with them when I get to present them their awards (...)

WHAT CHARACTERIZED THE LAST PERIOD (2017-2021) AT COPACI? HOW MUCH PROGRESS DID IT MAKE? WHAT PROJECTS, EVENTS OR IDEAS ARE NECESSARY TO HIGHLIGHT TODAY?

“As in the rest of the other stages or quadrennia, our fundamental interest was to work with our 44 UCI affiliated federations and five federations that are associate members. We also developed the calendar of Pan American championships that we had planned in the different modalities: track, road, BMX, and Mountain Bike.

“From the destruction of two hurricanes in the Caribbean, in our first meeting of the Management Committee in 2017 we proposed to the UCI Management Committee and the President of the UCI, David Lappartient, to aid all 13 small Caribbean islands with funds of the Olympic Solidarity

program, which amounted to approximately 115 thousand dollars, which allowed to restart the cycling activity in those countries.

“In these four years we have had in our region Olympic champions, world champions, World Cup champions, Pan American champions, among others. In addition, we have members of the Panam Sports Athletes Commission such as Mariana Pajón, three-time Olympic medalist. Everything we have done makes us feel satisfied, but still unsatisfied, because we know that there is holding-back at the national federations”.



WHAT LESSONS DID COVID-19 TEACH COPACI?

"This pandemic has brought serious consequences not only to the American continent but also to the rest of the continents. We complied with the indications of the UCI in terms of respecting the decisions of each government and above all of the ministries of health and the health protocols that were established for the practice of sport and the holding of competitions.

"In a first stage we dedicated ourselves to maintaining the motivation of athletes through our social networks, and parallel to that we

developed electronic cycling (e-ciclyng) and a good number of events of this modality were made in countries such as the United States, Canada, Guatemala, Mexico and Argentina.

"Towards October 2021, some countries began to authorize the possibility of organizing events. The Central American road championship was held in Panama and some national and international tours. With the vaccines and the decrease in the number of cases, all the competitive life in America has been reactivated.

WHAT NOVELTY DO YOU FORESEE FOR THIS NEW STAGE OF WORK AFTER 30 YEARS AT THE HEAD OF COPACI?

"The main novelty will be this Agenda 2025 that we are presenting to comply with what we proposed in the election campaign: More Cycling, Greater Communication and Better Governance. This brings together the fundamental axes on which we will work.

"Since childhood I have always thought that the first thing any human being should do is to keep in mind the family background and not forget the roots from where we start. Positions filled, sometimes for a short time, sometimes for many years, are something transitory in life.

"I could never change my ways based on the fact of the position I hold, which I have achieved through my work. I enjoy a competition from beginning to end. I don't particularly enjoy sitting on the stands on the contrary, I like to mingle with athletes on the track and enjoy with them when I get to present them their awards. That is something that completes me. That's the way I have been and that's the way I will be. I'm not going to change.



David Lappartient and José Manuel Peláez

COMMUNICATION



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*Communication
means speed,
creativity and
success”*



SPRINT TO LOVE BETWEEN WHEELS

No sport can evolve in these times without having communication as a strategic weapon at its side. Within COPACI we are expanding our knowledge and are already experiencing some transformations with a greater use of dynamic platforms, social networks, live transmissions of competitions, as well as greater interactivity with a knowledgeable and specialized public. The creation three years ago of our official website: www.copaci.org has allowed us to gather the daily events of our sport in the Americas. This digital window is approaching half a million page views and we have already surpassed 250 thousand visitors. Many national federations and

cycling events already have their websites, while the groups in social networks focused on Pan American cycling in all modalities are growing exponentially.

However, much remains to be done and it will be vital to develop a communication strategy that includes the most contemporary concepts regarding this topic in sport. The communicative sprint that we propose focuses on strengthening the identity of cycling from an early age, building a more intentional relationship with the media, as well as increasing the recognition of historical figures and current leaders, references of love between wheels.

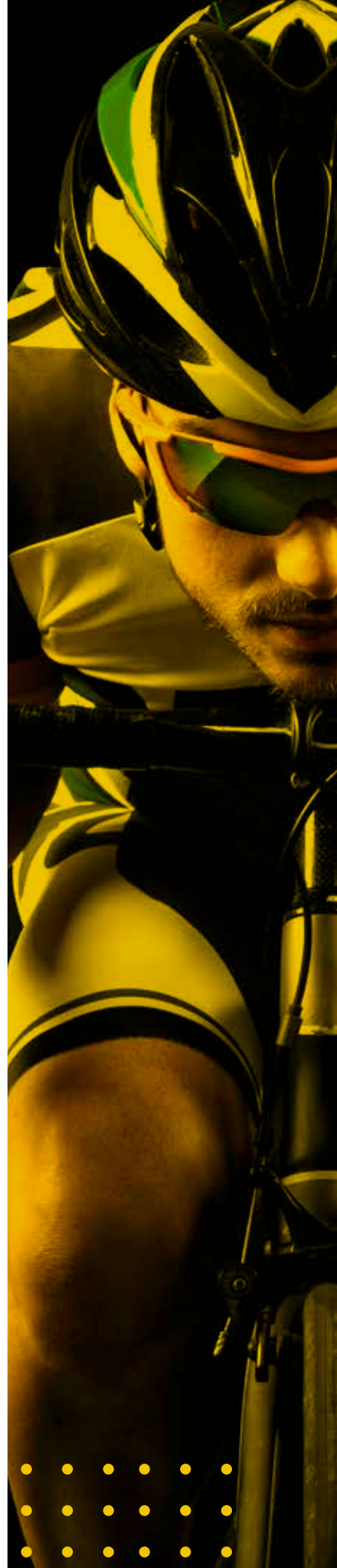


IDENTITY AND IMAGE

A step forward, since January 2022 was the new COPACI logo or image. Also, the personal and institutional pages of the president and the entity, on Facebook and Twitter, already present levels of updating and thousands of followers, through which it is possible to transmit timely information for the national federations and the faithful recipient of cycling.

IT IS IMPERATIVE TO WORK FORWARD IN

- Elaborating a comprehensive Communication Strategy for COPACI, which includes a reformulation of its current communicative routines and greater prominence in social networks. (2022)
- Promote the practice of cycling from an early age through all institutional communication channels, including social networks. (2022-2025)
- Assist in the expansion, through regular publications, of the database and the latest scientific knowledge in the field of cycling shared by the UCI on its platforms. (2022-2025)
- Promote cycling as an environmentally friendly means of transportation, in line with environmental policies. (2022-2025)
- Raise awareness among public authorities on the promotion of cycling not only for high performance, but as a way to improve the health status of the population. (2022-2025)
- Promote World Bicycle Day and International Cycling Day from each of the national federations with festivals, competitions or other initiatives. (2022-2025)
- Use in each national, regional or Pan-American competition the logo of COPACI as the governing body of cycling in the Americas. (2022-2025).





MEDIA

Intentional relationship ranges from providing as much information as possible from our digital pages and institutional publications, both from national federations and COPACI. Likewise, by expanding live transmissions of our events in the different media (radio, television and digital), among other aspects, which are detailed below:

- To position COPACI's official website (www.copaci.org) as the most important official media for transmitting information on cycling in the Americas in all its modalities. (2022-2023)
- To promote greater live transmissions from the official COPACI website and from the websites and social networks of the national federations. (2022-2025)
- Grow in cycling information in all media in the Americas, with emphasis on the five Olympic modalities. (2022-2024)
- Motivate the media to sponsor local, regional and continental events, based on the strength and quality of the participants. (2022-2025)
- Strengthen the attractiveness and impact of the UCI-America Tour, based on increased press coverage. (2022-2025)
- Promote more information on e-cycling, so that its practice becomes increasingly attractive in all categories. (2022-2023)
- Value the realization by the COPACI Communication and Press Commission of an annual printed publication with useful contents for federations, athletes, commissaires, managers and followers of the sport. (2022)
- Create the Communication and Press Commission within each national federation and establish an immediate link with its counterpart in COPACI. (2022-2023)

HISTORY, PRESENT AND FUTURE

The rich history of triumphs and figures of cycling in America deserves not only to be known, but also to be inserted in the new virtual spaces that will allow reaching the youth and a greater number of fans. The possibility of establishing a sacred precinct to recognize what has been lived and to extend recognition to those who better promote and disseminate our sport will be other immediate objectives, which we detail below:

- Celebrate the anniversaries of the UCI, COPACI and the constitution of each national federation with theoretical and competitive events. (2022-2025)
- Disclose the sports results of our cyclists through more dynamic platforms and Youtube channels. (2022-2025)
- Encourage the creation of audiovisual products in alliance with the media about our great figures of cycling in the Americas. (2022-2025)
- Propose the creation of the Continental Cycling Hall of Fame to exalt the best riders and clubs to immortality. (2022-2023)
- Create an Annual Award to recognize the best media and best professionals linked to cycling from the national federations and at the COPACI level. (2022-2023)
- To present at each COPACI Annual Congress the awards to the best cyclist of the year in the Americas and to announce those highlighted at the International Cycling Hall of Fame. (2023-2025)



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